

# BOY SCOUT WEEK IN BAXTER SPRINGS

**Campaign Will Be to Enlist 400 or More Eligible Boys in Great Moral Army**

Boy Scout week, made so by proclamation of President Wilson, has started auspiciously in Baxter Springs with the entire week fairly well filled with various stunts. There will be a hike tonight to Sapp's camp, near Lowell, for an all-night stay in the woods, with supper and breakfast under the trees. E. M. Richardson, a member of the Scout Council, will be in charge. On Wednesday afternoon there will be a swim in Spring river, just above the mouth of Willow creek, with Scoutmaster Fisher, E. S. Mason and Rev. John Pearce in charge, and on Friday evening there will be a social event for the Scouts and their girl friends.

The four Scout patrols visited the Sunday schools of the city yesterday morning and were given an ovation at each church. The Beaver patrol was at the Presbyterian Sunday school, the Foxes at the Baptist, the Bob Whites at the Methodist and the Eagles at the Christian. In the evening the entire troop in charge of Scoutmaster Fisher visited the Presbyterian church. The Scouts accepted an invitation from Rev. Garretson to attend a special Boy Scout service, principally a song service, a program of old hymns, all known to the Scouts who participated unanimously in their singing. The history of each hymn was explained briefly by Rev. Garretson.

The four patrol leaders made a brief talk each, from two to four minutes in length, telling of the work of the Scouts. Leonard Hodgkins of the Beavers gave a historical review of Scout work in the United States. Jack Wells of the Bob Whites told how a boy's character is built by Scout work. William Sells of the Eagles gave a brief history of the Baxter organization since its being formed several years ago by Prof. Jack Twente. Robert Gammon of the Foxes outlined the work the Scouts did during the European war, both in this country and overseas.

Scoutmaster Walter Fisher gave a short talk, explaining why there is a National Boy Scout week, mainly in recognition of the work the Scouts did during the war but more particularly to bring the importance of boy life to each separate community. Mr. Fisher explained that there are now 400,000 Boy Scouts in the United States with their national headquarters in New York City. It is estimated that ten per cent of the country's population are boys within the Scout age, or there are 10,000,000 boys in this Nation eligible for Scout work. Mr. Fisher announced that on this estimate there are approximately 450 boys in Baxter who should be having the work. The trouble locally is, and this holds good everywhere, is the lack of men who are willing to give up a portion of their time for this work. Thirty two boys are getting

the benefit of the work in Baxter when there are 450 that should be getting it. There is a call for volunteers to act as scoutmasters and assistants. The Boy Scouts of Baxter are fast organizing a band of sixteen pieces. Each of the boys has also learned much in regard to first aid to the injured; he has learned much of woodcraft and scout craft, and much also of how to keep clean both bodily and mentally.

## NOTICE

The name of the Cunningham-Wells Oil Co. of Baxter Springs, Kan., has been changed to Cunningham-Marks Oil Co.

## THE PEACE TREATY LEAK

Nothing less than a national scandal threatens to result from statements made by Senator Lodge of Massachusetts and Senator Borah of Idaho to the effect that special interests in New York have in their possession copies of the Treaty of Peace while the Senate of the United States and the people of the country have been given only a summarized abstract of the Treaty. President Wilson and his colleagues in the Peace Conference are pledged not to publish the treaty of peace until after it is signed by Germany and consequently this leak is a very serious one. A thorough investigation of the charges made by Senators Lodge and Borah has already been demanded by Senator Hitchcock, Democratic Member of the Foreign Relations Committee, by the introduction of the following resolution:

"Whereas, the Senator from Idaho, Mr. Borah, has stated in the Senate that certain interests in the city of New York have secured copies of the Peace Treaty, which the American people have been unable to secure; and Whereas, the Senator from Massachusetts, Mr. Lodge, has stated in the Senate that he knows of four such copies of said treaty of peace with Germany now in New York, and that the only place where it is not allowed to come is the United States Senate; and

"Whereas, the Senator from Idaho, Mr. Borah has stated that the interests now having possession of said copies of said treaty are peculiarly interested in the treaty; now, therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized and directed to investigate the matter with the view of ascertaining the facts and particularly to ascertain and report to the Senate the names of persons, corporations, or interests which have secured copies of said treaty and from whom they were secured and by what method, and also to ascertain and report to the Senate in what manner and to what extent said interests are 'particularly' interested in said treaty."

The resolution has already gone, without debate, to the Committee on Audit. Mr. Lodge did not oppose an investigation but said that he expected "the whole matter to be cleared up within a few days." Senator Lodge also said that he had been shown copies of the treaty when he was in New York last Monday to attend the funeral of Robert Bacon, former American Ambassador to France. Senator Hitchcock's resolution was apparently introduced in order to force Senator Lodge to divulge the names of the persons who showed him the treaty. The Massachusetts Senator is said, however, to have stated that he could not divulge the names as the treaty was shown him in confidence.

As far as was known up to the time of the sensational charge by Senators Lodge and Borah there were only two copies of the Peace Treaty in this country: one in the possession of the State Department and the other in the possession of the Japanese Embassy at Washington. The copy of the treaty which he read in New York, Senator Lodge said, contained a "labor addendum" which, when published, will startle capital and labor alike. This is one of the most surprising parts of Senator Lodge's statement, because it was understood that the labor sections of the treaty were debated openly by the delegates of the Allied nations and what was supposed to be the complete official text of these sections was given out by the Committee on Public Information and published in the newspapers of the country on April 23.

## IS YOUR GIRL READY TO MARRY

By William McKeever, University of Kansas.  
You have a marriageable young daughter and wish her to tie up with a first class life mate. What is she doing to bring about such a happy result? What are you doing about it, anxious father? You know how to market your goods at the store. Now, what do you know about placing your daughter properly before a good class of takers?

I contend that this is an exceedingly important affair, that the personal well-being of society is involved in such matters. Do you realize that you have a very serious duty to perform here? That much of the world's misery and tragedy is traceable to the

point where certain young people impulsively and ignorantly jumped into a marriage bond?

Fortunately, nearly all the good, worthy girls may find life companions if they act sensibly in regard to the matter. Perhaps the most sensible rules of matrimonial venture are included in the advice of an older, married big sister, who has just now been giving advice to four young women. In substance, she says:—

"Find something to do. It is fatal to sit idly about home 'all dressed up for company' and expect marriageable young men to come there seeking for you. 'Wise young men go a-courting on Monday,' is a smart old saying. The boys will be looking you over while you are at work in the shop, store, office, household or elsewhere. If they first catch a glimpse of you in your Sunday best, you will remain only on a probationary list till you are seen at your week-day work. And, if you prove to be a do-nothing young name will be scratched off the column. It is a very old tradition, if not an actual instinct, that a young man must pursue and catch his bride-to-be; which means that the best way to be caught is to run the other way. It may be put down as a certainty that the ordinary red-blooded man will not stand for it to have any girl running after him.

Cultivate a ruddy appearance of good health. Young men instinctively shrink from a weakling. Build up your body and physique by fair and honest methods. Camouflage will not do. There is something about robust, abundant physical energy in the case of a young woman which is almost irresistible in its influence over young men. Practice deep breathing, study your diet, make use of the daily cold bath, rub the arms, neck, face and the whole surface till there is a pink glow.

Now act a bit indifferent as to a love affair. That is, go on with your work, cultivate a love for it, talk of it enthusiastically, and of your plans to make it more worth while. Cultivate a warm cordiality for all the young men you meet. Show a keen interest in their business and their most serious affairs. Do not sink in to your corner with your mind obsessed on a perfect pattern of a "young gallant" who is to pop in upon the scene and kneel before you. You will pine away at this.

Avoid the foolish practice of playing for expensive favors from your men company. If you scheme for a man's money for excessive shows and refreshments, it is his reaction to the matter that you will scheme for it and squander it as some man's wife.

Finally, these rules may appear simple, but you may be assured of their importance. Observe them and you will most likely win and "be happy ever afterwards."

## THE BUILDING SITUATION

Leslie W. Sprague, of the information department of the United States Bureau of Labor, says there is a shortage of 300,000 dwellings. He has been traveling all over the United States. Everywhere he went he found a scarcity of houses. Rentals were found to be universally high. In many places people are very uncomfortable for lack of homes.

Mr. Sprague in his public addresses is endeavoring to encourage people to go ahead and build now, in spite of the obstacles of high cost of construction. His statistics go to show that building has not increased in cost as much as most commodities. From this he claims that it is not likely to be much cheaper later on, so that nothing is gained by waiting.

Increased cost has been partly offset by new economics. The substitution of concrete for more costly material has helped. A good many concerns are getting out the parts of standardized houses, and shipping them where they are wanted. But the economy of this plan must depend on having efficient arrangements for assembling and erecting the house after the materials are delivered. It would seem as if freight costs on houses thus delivered ready to set up, must be larger than when lumber is delivered in bulk to some near by mill, to be made up for the use of local builders.

Of course the people must have houses to live in. No town can go ahead unless it has comfortable quarters for its working people. A great many buildings will be erected this year, on the theory that it is better to pay a high cost than get along without them. But the shortage of buildings is not likely to be completely remedied, until contractors and sellers of material and employees get together and arrange somehow to reduce the cost.

## LAST HOPE GONE

Augusta, Me., June 6.—Jamaica ginger was declared to be an intoxicant and its sale or possession unlawful in an opinion handed down today by the supreme court.

Little Miss Marion Hiett has returned from Carthage, Mo., where she has been visiting for the past week.

# THE COMMUNITY BANQUET PROGRAM

**Emminent Jurist and Successful Business Men Will Talk About Town Building**

Speakers for the community banquet, to be given under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce at 7 o'clock on Wednesday evening of this week at the Goodangle hall, were secured today and include Judge Allen McReynolds of Carthage, one of the most eloquent and interesting speakers in this entire district, and Ed E. Wood, the merchant-chamber of Commerce booster, of Webb City, one of the men who is putting that town on its feet in a manufacturing way. Both men are good talkers and Judge McReynolds will be heard here for the first time.

Final arrangements for this popular-priced banquet are fast being made. The tickets, for the first time, will be 50c, and it is the intention of the Chamber of Commerce to follow this with a series of banquets during the summer and autumn months. In all probability some of these will be held at churches and school houses in the trade territory surrounding Baxter. This program, however, has not as yet been worked out.

This banquet on Wednesday evening is also to be as absolutely informal as it is possible to make it. Each person present will wait on him or herself. There will be a plentiful meal and a variety of drinks, a sufficient number for each person to make his personal selection.

## PENNIES GROW TO BILLIONS

**A. M. Dockery Gives Postmasters Some Figures on Thrift**

Kansas City, June 9.—After-the-war patriotism, more so than the workings of the Postoffice Department, was the topic discussed by A. M. Dockery, third assistant postmaster general, at the meeting of Postmasters of Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma at the Hotel Baltimore.

After appealing to the audience to be as patriotic now as during the war, and asking them to become addicted to the saving habit, Mr. Dockery took pains to impress upon his hearers that he had nothing whatever to do with the Postal Zone Law, which became effective last July. He was at Washington merely to enforce it, he said.

Then he praised the postmasters for the splendid results they accomplished in selling War Savings Stamps, which netted the government more than 1 billion dollars. Credit for the sale of 80 per cent of the stamps, Mr. Dockery said, is due to the postmasters. Mr. Dockery said that in 1913, when he took charge of the postal savings, 30 million dollars had been deposited; now the amount has increased to 177 millions.

The increased postal rate instituted in November, 1917, and which will be abolished July 1, Mr. Dockery said, had placed 70 million dollars in the United States Treasury.

A closer co-operation between mailers of second class matter and the postoffice was advocated by the postmasters.

## A CONSTRUCTIVE PROGRAM

A number of most important measures are before congress and quick and affirmative action on same will put this nation on its feet and give business a chance and incentive to go ahead. They are:

- Repeal of luxury tax.
- Adoption of a shipping policy.
- Settlement of the railroad problem.
- Enactment of a national budget system.
- Tariff revision.
- Aid for men coming from the service.
- Economy in public expenditures.
- Passage of essential appropriation bills.
- Passage of bill permitting and encouraging water power development.
- Passage of coal and oil land leasing bill.

## KEEPING FARM HELP

The farmers have now struggled along for two seasons largely with green help. They are in great need of a class of experienced helpers, preferably married men, who have struck a steady gait, and do not find it absolutely necessary to attend a dance twice a week. It is a big problem how to get, develop, and hold such men.

Many farmers believe it pays to offer some extra inducements to secure them. This may take the form of higher pay. Some take extra pains to fix up a comfortable house or other quarters for a helper's family. Others go so far as a bonus or profit sharing scheme.

Probably most farmers wouldn't share profits, unless the help would agree to share losses. But some of

them have found a kind of middle course, in encouraging faithful men to carry on little enterprises of their own, the work of which is done outside of farm hours of labor, and which tend to make them contented and settle down permanently.

The old time "farm hand" was willing to work as many hours as the farmer. If the latter was in the field at 5 a. m., the "hand" would have felt he showed no sporting blood not to be there too. The modern farmer may come in after a couple of hours work before breakfast, and find his help just up and smoking on the porch.

The farm hand who demands the eight hour day does not commonly want to spend it in sporting life. Probably what he wants is time to develop something of his own. It may pay to humor him. It pays to make some concessions if one can get the old time kind of helper who felt some personal attachment to his home soil.

## CLAIM OF FEWER CASUALTIES UNDER GOVERNMENT CONTROL

Regional Director, B. F. Bush, announces results obtained in campaign against personal injuries to employees being conducted on Southwestern Region railroads during the month of May are a surprise to everyone, as indicated by returns for the first twenty days. During the first twenty days of May, 1918, nine hundred ninety employees were injured while during corresponding period this year four hundred employees were injured, a decrease of five hundred ninety or fifty-six per cent. During the first twenty days of May, 1918, nine employees were killed and during corresponding period this year four employees were killed, a decrease of five or fifty-five per cent. Total number casualties during first twenty days of May last year, nine hundred ninety-nine, while this year the number is four hundred four, a decrease of five hundred ninety five or sixty per cent.

Miss Elsa Evans gave a party at the home of her aunt, Mrs. O. Mishler on 916 East Seventeenth and Garfield. The house was prettily decorated with flowers. The evening was spent in games. Refreshments were served to Misses Rosemond Rathbone, Hazel Love, Pauline Congdon, Isabelle Hibbs, Mildred Burton and Charlie Moore, Morris Jarrett, Joe Letterman, Howard McBride, Earl Hendry, Glen Martin, Robert Saylor and Fred Hale.

Misses Ida Van Dusen, Winifred Fagg, Lillian Cooke and Ralph Pfremmer and Raymond Laird are in Pittsburg today ready to start to work on this summer's normal course.

# WORKING HARD IN SCHOOL OF MINES

**Additional Equipment of More Than \$500 in Value Received from the University**

The University of Kansas has sent down over five hundred dollars in equipment for the class in surveying in the Baxter Springs School of Mines. This class is meeting Mondays and Fridays from 7:30 to 9:30 with Mr. Haverfield of the St. Louis Mines as a teacher. The work has not progressed very far as yet and new members are still being taken in. The equipment from the University includes two of the best mine transits made and the rest of the apparatus has been selected for the purpose giving a complete course in surveying. Mine work will be specialized in and it is the intention of making a survey of the St. Louis mines a little later on when the class has become more advanced. Students are enrolling from Treece and Picher and as this is the only course of its kind in the district it is expected that a great deal of interest will be taken in it.

K. L. Koelker, of Joplin, will be over this evening to teach his class in Assaying which is still working on the analysis of zinc. No knowledge of Chemistry is required of those enrolling for this course and the aim is to give the students a practical working knowledge of the methods of assaying lead, zinc and iron ores. This class also meets Mondays and Fridays at the City Library building from 7:30 to 9:30.

The class in Mineralogy on Tuesday has been postponed till Thursday on account of the absence of the teacher, Mr. F. S. Elfred, who has gone to St. Louis to attend the meeting of the American Zinc Institute.

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